

Application No. 10/007,475
Amendment dated DECEMBER 28, 2004
Reply to Office Action dated September 28, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2004. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the forgoing comments. Claims 24 and 28 have been amended for clarity. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

The Examiner has objected to claim 28 for an informality. Claim 28 has been appropriately amended, thereby resolving the issue.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection of claims 24-27 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. While Applicant does not concede the correctness of the rejection, the claims have been amended to resolve the issues raised by the Examiner.

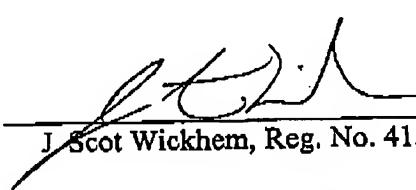
Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowability of claim 28, and of claims 24-27 once the §112 issues are resolved. Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, and believes that the claimed invention is patentable for at least the reasons stated therein.

In light of the amendments and comments presented above, favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If a teleconference is deemed beneficial, the undersigned attorney may be contacted at the number provided below.

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